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**Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: )

WATANABE et al. )

Application Number: 09/488,762 )

Filed: January 21, 2000 )

Art Unit: 1713

Examiner: Peter D. Mulcahy

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For: MEDICAL ADHESIVE TAPE OR SHEET, AND FIRST-AID ADHESIVE TAPE

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 21, 2002

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated March 29, 2002, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before June 29, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please substitute the following amended claim for the pending claim with the same number in the above-identified application. (A version of the amended claim with markings to show the changes made is also attached.)

1. (Amended) A medical adhesive tape or sheet comprising a supporting substrate and a releasable adhesive layer directly or indirectly laminated thereon, wherein said supporting substrate comprises a composition which comprises 100 parts by weight of a thermoplastic resin and 10 to 200 parts by weight of a silicic acid compound.